

Target Group:



Occupational Profile

Psychologist

Standard Occupational Code 19-3031.00

What They Do

Diagnose or evaluate mental and emotional disorders of individuals through observation, interview, and psychological tests, and formulate and administer programs of treatment.

Is This For You?

Work Interests are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland's Model). People who tend to succeed in this career are:

Investigative – involve working with ideas, and require an extensive amount of thinking.

Social – involve working with, communicating with, and teaching people.

Artistic – involve working with forms, designs and patterns

Work Values are aspects of work that are satisfying to you. The following work values are generally associated with this career:

Relationships – allow employees to provide service to others and work with co-workers in a friendly non-competitive environment.

Achievement – results oriented, allow use of strongest abilities and provide feeling of accomplishment.

Independence – allow employees to work on their own and make decisions.

Abilities reflect a person's aptitude to acquire skills and knowledge. The following abilities are important for success in the career:

- Problem Sensitivity
- Oral Comprehension
- Oral Expression
- Written Comprehension
- Deductive Reasoning

Skills You Need

- Active Listening
- Social Perceptiveness
- Speaking
- Complex Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking

Where They Work

The South Dakota Industries which employ the largest number of psychologists are:

- State Government
- Offices of Physicians
- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Outpatient Care Centers

Education & Training

Psychologists need a **master's or doctoral degree in psychology or related program.**

Clinical psychologists are required to be licensed by the South Dakota Board of Examiners of Psychology.

SD Employment & Wages

2014 Workers	2024 Workers	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Average Annual Demand for Workers	Median Annual Wage
380	410	30	7%	10	\$71,590

Additional References

South Dakota Career InSite

www.sdjobs.org/careerinsite

Career OneStop

www.careeronestop.org

O*Net Online

online.onetcenter.org

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